## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Cancelled)
- 2. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim [[1]] <u>51</u>, wherein the substrate is silicon carbide.
- 3. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim [[1]] <u>51</u>, wherein said III-V Nitride semiconductor epitaxial film is formed in contact with a substrate having (11-20) face.
  - 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Currently Amended) The semiconductor device according to claim [[1]] <u>51</u>, wherein a number of group III atoms are equal to a number of nitrogen atoms on a surface of said III-V Nitride semiconductor epitaxial film.
  - 6-50. (Cancelled)
- 51. (New) A semiconductor device comprising a III-V Nitride semiconductor epitaxial film having 4H-polytype structure formed in contact with a substrate having 4H-type structure, wherein the III-V Nitride semiconductor epitaxial film is a 4H-AlN film.